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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FROM AMBASSADOR DEAN

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ENTRY TO WALTER REED BY FORMER
PRESIDENT JUAN VELASCO ALVARDO

REF: LIMA 0566

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH FONMIN DE LA FLOR TODAY (JANUARY 22), I LEARNED THAT HE IS THE GOP OFFICIAL BEHIND THE REQUEST FOR RENEWAL OF THE WALTER REED INVITATION FOR POSSIBLE TREATMENT OF VELASCO. DE LA FLOR WAS VERY APPRECIATE OF MY INTEREST IN THIS CASE AND EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY THE VELASCO FAMILY WHICH INDICATES THE DEPTH OF THEIR CONCERN ABOUT HIS CONDITION. DEPENDING ON THE WASHINGTON RESPONSE (I.E. A HOPEFULLY FAVORABLE INDICATION FROM WALTER REED), VELASCO HIMSELF WOULD BE URGED BY HIS FAMILY AND DE LA FLOR TO ACCEPT THE OFFER. (DE LA FLOR ADDED THAT VELASCO HIMSELF WOULD BE TOO PROUD TO TAKE SUCH AN INITIATIVE BUT IT IS HIS HOPE AND BELIEF VELASCO CAN BE PERSUADED TO ACCEPT SUCH AN OFFER IT EXTENDED). AT THAT POINT DE LA FLOR WOULD CONSULT PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ WHO, HE IS SURE, WILL HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO VELASCO'S TRAVEL TO THE US FOR TREATMENT AT WALTER REED.

2. WHEN AND IF THE FOREGOING STEPS FALL IN PLACE,
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ARRANGMENTS FOR TRAVEL COULD BE MADE. IN THE

MEANTIME, DE LA FLOR WOULD APPRECIATE OUR KEEPING
THIS DEMARCHE STRICTLY BETWEEN OURSELVES. I CONTINUE
TO URGE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF THIS DEMARCHE
FOR REASONS PRESENTED IN MY PREVIOUS CABLE AS WELL AS OTHER
FACTORS THAT WILL PROBABLY OCCUR TO YOU.
DEAN

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